UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

1.) Misty Paris,

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No.: 16-cv-00144-GKF-PJC

v.

2.) Conn Appliances, Inc.,

COMPLAINT AND

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Defendant.

For this Complaint, Plaintiff, Misty Paris, by undersigned counsel, states as follows:

JURISDICTION

- 1. This action arises out of Defendant's repeated violations of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act 47 U.S.C. § 227, et seq. (the "TCPA").
- 2. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b), in that Defendant transacts business in this District and a substantial portion of the acts giving rise to this action occurred in this District.

PARTIES

- 3. Plaintiff, Misty Paris ("Plaintiff"), is an adult individual residing in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, and is a "person" as defined by 47 U.S.C. § 153(39).
- 4. Defendant Conn Appliances, Inc. ("Conn"), is a Texas business entity with an address of 4055 Technology Forest Boulevard, Suite 210, The Woodlands, Texas 77381-2008, Dallas, Texas 75201, and is a "person" as defined by 47 U.S.C. § 153(39).

FACTS

- 5. Within the last year, Conn began calling Plaintiff's cellular telephone, number 918-xxx-3721, using an automatic telephone dialing system ("ATDS" or "predictive dialer") and/or using an artificial or prerecorded voice.
- 6. When Plaintiff answered calls from Conn, she heard a prerecorded message which requested a return call.
- 7. During a conversation with a live representative in August 2015, Plaintiff demanded that Conn cease all calls to her cellular telephone number.
- 8. Nevertheless, Conn continued to place automated calls to Plaintiff's cellular telephone number.

COUNT I VIOLATIONS OF THE TCPA - 47 U.S.C. § 227, ET SEQ.

- 9. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully stated herein.
- 10. At all times mentioned herein, Defendant called Plaintiff's cellular telephone number using an ATDS or predictive dialer and/or by using a prerecorded or artificial voice.
- 11. Defendant continued to place automated calls to Plaintiff's cellular telephone number despite knowing that it lacked consent to do so. As such, each call placed to Plaintiff was made in knowing and/or willful violation of the TCPA, and subject to treble damages pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(C).
- 12. The telephone number called by Defendant was assigned to a cellular telephone service pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(1).
- 13. The calls from Defendant to Plaintiff were not placed for "emergency purposes" as defined by 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(1)(A)(i).

14. As a result of each call made in negligent violation of the TCPA, Plaintiff is

entitled to an award of \$500.00 in statutory damages for each call placed in violation of the

TCPA pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(B).

15. As a result of each call made in knowing and/or willful violation of the TCPA,

Plaintiff is entitled to an award of treble damages in an amount up to \$1,500.00 pursuant to 47

U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(B) and 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(C).

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that judgment be entered against Defendant:

A. Statutory damages of \$500.00 for each violation determined to be negligent

pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(B);

B. Treble damages for each violation determined to be willful and/or knowing

pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(C); and

C. Such other and further relief as may be just and proper.

Dated: March 15, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

By <u>/s/ Sergei Lemberg</u>

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